



CHOICES *from the* CHILDREN'S ROOM

*Looking for the perfect book for a holiday gift?
Our youth librarians suggest their favorite titles of 2014!*



PICTURE BOOKS

***Sleepover with Beatrice & Bear* by Mônica Carnesi.**

Will this sweet, little bunny figure out how to hibernate with her friend, Bear? *Nancy Paulsen/Penguin*

***Sparky!* by Jenny Offill. Illustrated by Chris Appelhans.**

This charming sloth proves to be a pet in a league of its own! *Schwartz & Wade*

***My Teacher Is a Monster! (No I Am Not)* by Peter Brown.**

What if you ran into your scary teacher outside of school? *Little, Brown*

***Quest* by Aaron Becker.**

The Journey (Candlewick 2013) continues with this new enchanting wordless adventure! *Candlewick*

***Shhh, We Have a Plan* by Chris Haughton.**

Sneak through the woods with four friends. *Candlewick*

***The Farmer and the Clown* by Marla Frazee.**

A sweet, funny story of being lost... and then found again. *Beach Lane*

***Gaston* by Kelly DiPucchio. Illustrated by Christian Robinson.**

A bulldog with poodle sisters and a poodle with bulldog brothers seek the meaning of family. *Atheneum*

***Hug Machine* by Scott Campbell.**

Hugging is a big and important job. The Hug Machine shows you how it's done. *Simon and Schuster*

***Lucky* by David Mackintosh.**

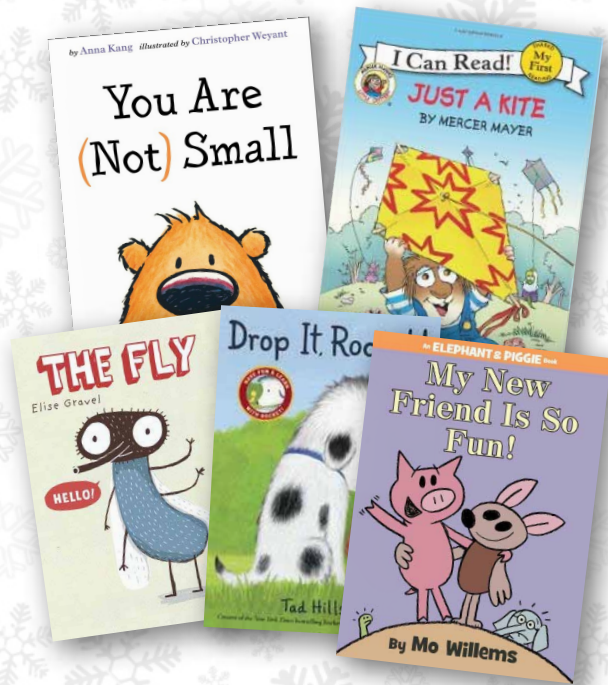
There's going to be a surprise at dinner! *Abrams*

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FOLK/FAIRYTALES

Hansel and Gretel told by Neil Gaiman.
Illustrated by Lorenzo Mattotti.

Grim, gruesome, gorgeous... and utterly bewitching. *Toon Books*

Little Red Riding Hood told by The Brothers Grimm.
Illustrated by Sybille Schenker. Translated by Anthea Bell.
Die-cuts and black silhouettes create a particularly gripping version of this timeless tale. *Minedition*

The Princess Who Had No Kingdom by Ursula Jones.
Illustrated by Sarah Gibb.
What this princess lacks in worldly goods, she makes up for in charm and spirit! *Albert Whitman*

Goatlocks and the Three Bears by Erica S. Perl.
Illustrated by Arthur Howard.
Goatlocks likes to eat porridge—not to mention chairs and beds! *Beach Lane*

Chukfi Rabbit's Big, Bad Bellyache: A Trickster Tale by Greg Rodgers. Illustrated by Leslie Stall Widener.
Meet a rabbit with an insatiable hunger for butter and a tendency for trickery. *Cinco Puntos*



BEGINNING READERS

The Fly by Elise Gravel.
Interesting? Yes! Fun? Yes! Disgusting? Well, yes, that, too. *Tundra*

Drop It Rocket by Tad Hills.
A word tree, a red boot, and the always irresistible Rocket. *Schwartz & Wade*

You Are (Not) Small by Anna Kang.
Illustrated by Christopher Weyant.
Small? Big?! A philosophical comedy for new readers! *Two Lions*

Just a Kite (Little Critter) by Mercer Mayer.
Little Critter learns about flying a kite, just in time for the local contest. *Harper*

My New Friend Is So Fun! (Elephant and Piggie) by Mo Willems.
Best friend games with new players create plenty of drama and comedy. *Disney Hyperion*



NONFICTION

***The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus* by Jen Bryant. Illustrated by Melissa Sweet.**

A lively picture book biography of Peter Mark Roget. For your most ardent logophile. *Eerdmans*

***Gravity* by Jason Chin.**

Float in and out in this exploration of gravity. *Neal Porter Books/Roaring Brook Press*

***The Scraps Book: Notes from a Colorful Life* by Lois Ehlert.**

An inspiring glimpse into the magical world of this picture book illustrator. *Beach Lane*

***Brick Wonders: Ancient, Modern and Natural Wonders Made From LEGO* by Warren Elmore.**

Eye-popping LEGO models of famous sites that will inspire any builder. *Barron's*

***It's Perfectly Normal: Changing Bodies, Growing Up, Sex and Sexual Health* by Robie H. Harris. Illustrated by Michael Emberley.**

The new 20th anniversary edition of this classic work is better than ever. *Candlewick*

***At the Same Moment, Around the World* by Clotilde Perrin.**

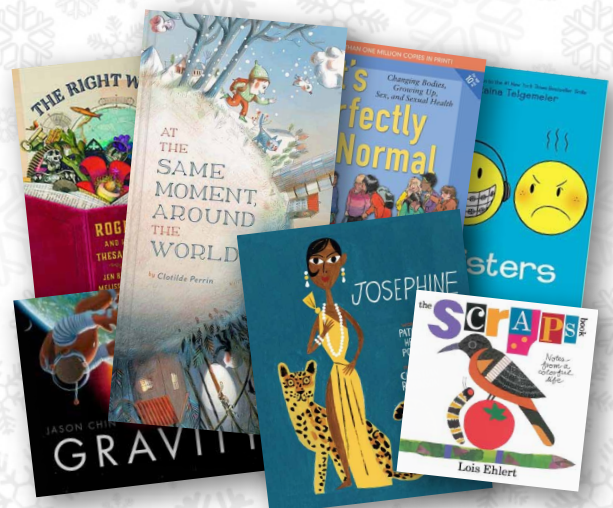
Stop time and then travel the globe in this illustrated look at one moment in 24 time zones. *Chronicle*

***Sisters* by Raina Telgemeier. Color by Braden Lamb.**

We love her book *Smile* (Graphix, 2010)! Now join Raina on a graphic roadtrip through sisterhood. *Graphix*

***Josephine: The Dazzling Life of Josephine Baker* by Patricia Hruby Powell. Illustrated by Christian Robinson.**

A biography packed full of brio and beauty befitting its subject. *Chronicle*



FICTION

***The Misadventures of the Family Fletcher* by Dana Alison Levy.**

The Fletchers will charm readers and grouchy neighbors alike during this fateful school year. *Delacorte*

***Egg & Spoon* by Gregory Maguire**

A "there-and-back-again" adventure set in a magical St. Petersburg. *Candlewick*

***Greenglass House* by Kate Milford.**

Illustrated by Jaime Zollars.

Unexpected guests and mystery disrupt the December calm at the Pine family inn. *Little, Brown*

***Nuts to You* by Lynne Rae Perkins.**

These squirrels have a story for the whole family! It starts with a hungry hawk. *Greenwillow*

***West of the Moon* by Margi Preus.**

Norwegian folktales weave into this captivating interpretation of a girl's immigration experience. *Amulet*

***Percy Jackson's Greek Gods* by Rick Riordan.**

Illustrated by John Rocco.

Percy gives fans his view on the Greek Gods with incredible illustrations. *Disney-Hyperion*

***Hidden: A Child's Story of the Holocaust* by Loïc Dauvillier.**

Illustrated by Marc Lizano. Color by Greg Salsedo.

Translated by Alexis Siegel.

A grandmother shares her haunting story with her granddaughter in this powerful graphic novel. *First Second*

POETRY

***i carry your heart with me* by E.E. Cummings. Illustrated by Mati McDonough.**

Cut paper collage illustrations interpret this classic poem reflecting the bond between mother and child.

Cameron & Company

***Firefly July: A Year of Very Short Poems* selected by Paul B. Janeczko. Illustrated by Melissa Sweet.**

Small poems and explosive visuals together bring the seasons to life. *Candlewick*

***Dear Wandering Wildebeest: And Other Poems from the Water Hole* by Irene Latham. Illustrated by Anna Wadham.**

A poetic peek into the lives of African wildlife, accompanied by vibrant illustrations. *Millbrook*

***Viva Frida* by Yuyi Morales.**

The dreams and work of Frida Kahlo, rendered beautifully in vibrant colors and vivid words. *Roaring Brook*

***Hi, Kool! A Year of Seasons* by Jon J. Muth.**

Koo the panda bear presents four seasons in twenty-six haiku. *Scholastic*

***How I Discovered Poetry* by Marilyn Nelson. Illustrated by Hadley Hooper.**

50 poems bring to life the 1950s in this Civil Rights Era memoir in verse. *Dial*

***Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson.**

This beloved author pieces moments and memories together in verse, telling her powerful life story. *Nancy Paulsen/Penguin*



TEENS

***Andre the Giant: Life and Legend* by Box Brown.**

A professional wrestling star like no other, celebrated in graphic format. *First Second*

***The Tyrant's Daughter* by J.C. Carleson.**

Her father was king. Now he is dead and Laila must abandon her country and identity. *Knopf*

***The Walled City* by Ryan Graudin**

Hak Nam is ruled by gangsters and crooks, with residents competing even for sunlight. *Little Brown*

***Fat Boy vs. the Cheerleaders* by Geoff Herbach.**

When his band funds are diverted into a new dance squad, Gabe declares war. *Sourcebooks Fire*

***We Were Liars* by E. Lockhart.**

The Sincalir family seems perfect...but what is the truth? *Delacorte*

***Tomboy: A Graphic Memoir* by Liz Prince.**

All about the importance of being yourself (no matter what you wear). *Zest*

***This One Summer* by Mariko and Jillian Tamaki.**

A poignant graphic depiction of beach town summers. *First Second*

***The Shadow Hero* by Gene Luen Yang and Sonny Liew.**

Hank Chu's mom has big plans for him—to be a super hero! *First Second*

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